

[54] **ASTRINGENT GEL, ITS PREPARATION AND USE**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

An astringent gel of a high concentration of astringent metal salts contains a mixture of an astringent aluminum salt and another astringent zinc, zirconium and/or magnesium salt, a gelling agent, and if desired, an emollient polyhydroxy alcohol. The astringent metal salt concentration therein is lower than 18 % but sufficient to exert a skin tightening effect. The pH of said gel is about the same as the pH of the skin. The gel is stable and does not deliquesce even on prolonged storage. The gel is applied to the skin by spreading and is preferably covered by a textile layer such as a towel, a binder, or a mask.

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